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# Land Grant Application- Akley, Samuel (Topsham)

Samuel Akley

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Samuel Akley, 213.  
declaration under  
Resolve, March 24th 1836 -

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Filed Oct. 22<sup>d</sup> 1836,

Admitted & certificate No. 195,  
i.p. Dec. 22<sup>d</sup> 1836, &  
sent Tho<sup>l</sup> Clark Esq. per  
mail next day,

Thomas Clark, agent

I Samuel Akley of Rumford in the County of  
Cory and State of Maine, aged seventy three years, do, upon oath, declare  
in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 24, 1836, entitled  
a "Resolve additional to a Resolve, passed March 17th, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight  
hundred and thirty-five, entitled 'Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary  
War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers,' " that I enlisted into Captain  
Thomas Jackson's company and 1st Maine Regiment  
of Heavy Artillery for the term of three years in the Mass  
achusetts line in the year of our Lord one thousand  
seven hundred and eighty one; ~~and served~~  
and served until the close of the Revolutionary  
War, and was honorably discharged

I do further on oath declare that at the time of my said enlistment, I was an inhabitant of Topsham  
the town of Topsham in the County of York and State of Maine

and was on the 17th day of March, 1835, have been ever since, and am now an inhabitant of the State  
of Maine, residing in Rumford aforesaid, where I have resided for

years past. That neither I, nor any one claiming under me, has ever received a grant of  
Land, or money in lieu thereof, either from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or from the State of  
Maine for my said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary War, and that I am justly  
entitled to the benefit of said Resolve.

Samuel Akley

STATE OF MAINE.

Cory ss.....Subscribed and sworn to this seven tenth day of October 1836

BEFORE ME,

Peter Blodgett Justice of the Peace.

# Know all Men by these Presents, That I

*Samuel Akley* of *Kennebec* in the County of *Cornwall*  
and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the preceding declaration was made, do hereby  
constitute and appoint *Thomas Clark* of *Paris* my true and lawful  
Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate  
as he may issue to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 24, 1836, entitled a  
"Resolve additional to a Resolve passed March seventeenth in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and thirty-five, entitled 'Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revo-  
lutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers,'" to the benefit of which Resolve  
I am entitled. And my said Attorney is hereby authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said  
certificate, for me in my name, to execute such receipt or acknowledgment therefor, as I might, were  
I personally present. *likewise to receive from the State Treasurer, the sum of fifty dollars, to*  
*which I am entitled by virtue of said Resolve.*  
HEREBY ratifying and confirming whatever my Attorney shall do by virtue hereof, Witness my hand  
and seal this *seventeenth* day of *October* A. D. 183*6*

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED  
IN PRESENCE OF

*Peter C. Dugan*

*Samuel Akley*

## STATE OF MAINE.

*Cornwall*

ss.

Be it Known, that on this *seventeenth* day of *October* 183*6*,  
before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared *Samuel*  
*Akley* above named, and acknowledged the foregoing power of Attorney by him signed,  
to be his free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name the day and year last above mentioned.

*Peter C. Dugan*

Justice of the Peace.



## Original Claim

Declaration in order to be placed on the Pension list, under the Act of the 18th of March 1818. State of Vermont, Windham County. On this 19th day of February 1827. Personally appeared before the Probate Court for the District of Marlborough in the State of Vermont and in open Court said Probate Court, being a Court of Record according to the laws of said State, begun and holden at Brattleboro' in & for the District of Marlborough on the 19th day of February A D 1827. Samuel Akeley, resident of Halifax in sd County aged sixty two years - who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions of the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first of May 1820. That he the said Samuel Akeley enlisted in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War under the Continental establishment for the term of three years - Enlisted in the company of Capt<sup>n</sup> Jackson and the Regiment of Col<sup>o</sup> Crane the first of March 1780 or 1781 Enlisted in Topsham in the State of Mass. in the Mass. line passed muster at Boston Mass. Joined the army at West Point N.Y. That he did serve till the Army was disbanded and was discharged at West Point N.Y. his discharge being lost, it is not in his power to prove his service only by the papers that accompany this declaration - That there has no changes taken place in his property since the 18th March 1818. The reason for not making earlier application for a pension is because he could not obtain his evidence to prove his services - And in pursuance of the Act of the 1st of May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of

my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an Act of Congress Entitled An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States ~~of the United States~~ in the Revolutionary War passed on the 18th day of March 1818. And that I have not nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income, other than is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Samuel Akley

One old horse \$20.00	one old wagon \$5.00	one old harness \$1.00	- \$26.00
One table 3 <sup>4</sup>	One Chest \$1.00	one chest 5 <sup>0</sup>	One trunk 7 <sup>5</sup>
One Shovel 2 <sup>5</sup>	Iron ware 7 <sup>5</sup>	Table furniture	\$2.00
One Lip 5 <sup>0</sup>	One Scythe 4 <sup>0</sup>	One snath 25 cts	
Eight Chairs	\$2.00		
			2.57
			3 "
			0.75
			2.00
			34.34

Attest us appraisers to the foregoing property according to the best of our abilities

Peter Worden  
George Akley

That there has no change taken place in my property since the Act of Congress of the 18th March 1818. The reason why I did not make earlier application for a pension is because I could not get evidence to prove my services.

That I am a farmer by occupation. I have a wife named Betsey aged 52 years. I have one daughter Susan seven years. One son named Joseph aged fifteen. One son named Caleb aged twelve.

Samuel Akley

Sworn to and declared on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1827

Before me Samuel Whitney Judge of Probate for the District of Marlboro' in the State of Vermont

James Elliott Register of the Probate Court for the District of Marlborough in the State of

Vermont do hereby certify that it appears to the satisfaction of the Court that the said Samuel Akley did serve in the Revolutionary War as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy, for the term of nine months under one engagement, in the continental establishment. I also certify that the foregoing oath, and that the Schedule thereto annexed are truly copied from the files and records of the said Court. And I do further testify that it is the opinion of the said Court that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is thirty four dollars and thirty four cents.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the said Court on this twenty fifth day of May A.D. 1827.

James Elliott Register of the Probate Court Marlboro' District.

This may certify that I Andrew Bradford of Ludlow in the County of Windsor and State of Vermont of lawful age, testify and say that I enlisted in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War with Great Britain for three years enlisted in March 1789 that in the year 1781 the first of April at West Point I became acquainted with Samuel Akley a private soldier who belonged to Capt Jackson's company and Reg. Commanded by Col Crane a regiment of Artillery. Said regiment was under the Continental establishment that I saw said Akley from time to time as the ~~army~~ moved till the army was disbanded his enlistment was for three years that I am knowing to his doing actual service till the army was disbanded under one enlistment under the continental establishment.

Said Reg belonged to the Map line Andrew Bradford

State of Vermont  
Windsor County ss Ludlow February 6<sup>th</sup> 1827

Personally appeared Andrew Bradford & after being duly sworn made solemn oath that the above deposition by him subscribed contains nothing but the truth ~~He also~~ certify that the deponent is a credible witness

Asa M. Barton Justice Peace

State of Vermont ) Woodstock County Clerk's office March  
Windsor County ss the 7<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1827. Jas. G. Coker

I Benjamin Swan Clerk of the County Court within & for the County of Windsor, do hereby certify that Asa M. Barton is one of the Justices of the Peace within & for said County and that the above is his signature

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed the Seal of said County Court and subscribe my name the day and year last above

Benj<sup>n</sup> Swan

I Asa M. Wiman of Mount Holly in the County of Rutland & State of Vermont of lawful age do testify and say that I enlisted in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War in the year 1780 during the war I became acquainted with Samuel Ackley a private soldier who belonged to the company commanded by Capt<sup>n</sup> Jackson and Regiment commanded by Col Crane said Regiment was a Regiment of Artillery in the Massachusetts line that I first saw him at West Point on New York April 1<sup>st</sup> 1781 and continued to know him till the army was disbanded - his enlistment was for three years under the Continental establishment and am knowing to said Ackley doing actual service during that time under one enlistment

Asa M. Wiman  
mark



State of Vermont  
Windsor County Js Ludlow Oct 17th 1826

Personally appeared Asa M. Wiman and after being duly cautioned made solemn Oath that the above deposition by him subscribed contains the truth and nothing but the truth. I also certify that said Wiman is a credible witness  
Asa S Barton Justice Peace

State of Vermont  
Windsor County Js Woodstock County Clerks Office April 12  
1827- I Benjamin Swan Clerk of the County Court for the County of Windsor. Do hereby certify that Asa S Barton is one of the Justices of the Peace within and for said County and the within is his signature

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed the seal of said County Court and subscribe my name the day and year above

Ben<sup>n</sup> Swan

I certify that the foregoing paper is a truly copied from the original papers on file in the Probate Office  
December 12th 1836

Dyer Castor. Clerk employed to copy papers for the land agent of Maine

I certify that Dyer Castor who has signed the above Certificate is employed for the aforementioned purpose, and that full faith, and Credit are due to his certificate  
J. L. Edwards